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Kentucky Labor Cabinet to Hold Free OSHA Training for West Kentucky

Free courses July 13-16 at Kentucky Dam Village

FRANKFORT, Ky. (July 6, 2015) – The Kentucky Labor Cabinet will hold free informational and training courses from July 13-16 on topics that can benefit all workers and employers in Kentucky. The training will be held at the Kentucky Dam Village State Resort Park in Gilbertsville.

Participants will be able to choose from a wide variety of topics, including an overview of the Kentucky Occupational Safety and Health Program (OSH), injury and illness recordkeeping, fall protection in commercial construction, protection against bloodborne pathogens, basic electrical safety, welding safety requirements, combustible dust, and hazard communication/GHS.

“We’re glad to have the opportunity to share valuable safety training in various regions across Kentucky,” said Labor Secretary Larry L. Roberts. “Safe and healthy workplaces are good for everyone, and the information presented in these courses will be extremely helpful to workers and employers.”

The courses include group-based and hands-on learning activities, and will feature presentations from the highly-trained staff of the Kentucky Labor Cabinet.

To register online, click [here](#).

The following is a schedule of the training courses:

Monday, July 13

Overview of the Kentucky OSH Program: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Topics of discussion include the operations of the Kentucky Occupational Safety and Health Program, including enforcement and voluntary compliance services, and safety and health topics currently considered for future standards and policies.

Injury and Illness Recordkeeping: Noon - 4 p.m.

This session is for those persons responsible for maintaining the revised injury and illness records. The forms 300, 301 and 300A will be covered. The regulations and guidelines for recordkeeping will be discussed, as well as the compliance directive the Kentucky OSH compliance officer will use to evaluate employers' records. A recordkeeping example workshop will be part of the course, time permitting.

Note: Participants will receive an OSHA Training Institute certificate for this class from Eastern Kentucky University's OSHA Training Institute Education Center.

Tuesday, July 14

Fall Protection (commercial construction) 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.

This session covers the elements of 1926.500-503 and associated industry standards. Topics include the requirements to provide a fall protection system, the description and requirements for each fall protection system and training requirements. Attendees should leave with a basic understanding of KYOSH's requirements for working at heights on commercial construction sites.

Note: This course does not cover fall protection requirements for residential construction sites.

Bloodborne Pathogens: 1 - 4 p.m.

Topics of discussion include applicable definitions, infection control, engineering and work practice controls involving bloodborne pathogens, such as hepatitis B virus and human immunodeficiency virus.

Wednesday, July 15

Basic Electrical Safety: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.

This session covers the basic requirements surrounding the approval, installation, and use of electrical equipment and devices. The discussion will include installation of electrical equipment, commonly cited approval and installation violations, an overview of the

equipment approval process, cord-marking requirements and basic hazards of commonly-made electrical wiring.

Welding: 1 - 4 p.m.

This session includes the various types of welding processes such as oxy-acetylene, TIG, MIG, and open arc, personal protective equipment, safety and health hazard recognition and control, and Kentucky occupational safety and health requirements.

Thursday, July 16

Combustible Dust: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Fire and explosion due to combustible dust pose immediate and deadly risks to the health and safety of Kentucky's workforce. Attendees will learn about identifying combustible dust, understand the risks and hazards associated with dust, laboratory testing, and ways to prevent combustible dust explosions in the workplace.

Hazard Communication/Global Harmonization: 1 - 4 p.m.

This session covers the basic legal requirements and the revised provision of the standard as they relate to the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS). Attendees will learn about chemical hazard classification, written program requirements, container labeling and other forms of warning, safety data sheets and associated deadlines.

About the free training courses

Each year the Labor Cabinet presents a series of cost-free courses at major population centers throughout Kentucky. These courses are for both employers and employees, and are typically given over a one-week period in each population center. The courses are designed to outline the requirements contained in the various subparts of the general industry and construction standards, covering both safety and health issues.

The upcoming tentative locations and months for 2015 include Maysville in August and Louisville in October.

The classes will be available for viewing and online registration approximately four weeks prior to each session. The complete schedule will be available on the Labor Cabinet's website, www.labor.ky.gov.

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